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In re Application of

Takahashi et al.

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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the request filed April 8, 2011, seeking relief under the provisions of an announcement by the Under Secretary and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 17, 2011,

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/announce/japan_relief_2011mar17.pdf, providing relief to inventors and patent owners in areas affected by the earthquake and resulting tsunami of March 11, 2011.

The request for relief is **GRANTED**.

In the above-identified application, an Office action was mailed on November 22, 2010. The instant petition was filed prior to the expiration of the period for reply and the certifications for granting of relief are considered to be met by the submission of the request.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751. All other inquires concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being referred to the Technology Center, Art Unit 1776 for re-mailing the Office action of November 22, 2010. The period for reply will run from the mailing date of the Office action.

/Joan Olszewski/ Joan Olszewski Petitions Examiner Office of Petitions